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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OVIP (RUSH)

SUBJECT: VISIT OF DEP SEC RUSH

FOR CHARGE FROM ASST SECRETARY INGERSOLL

REF: WELLINGTON 714

1. NOT CLEAR FROM REFTEL WHETHER CORNER WAS PERSONALLY TAKING EXCEPTION TO SPEECH, OR PRIMARILY ADVISING YOU THAT DEP SEC'S SPEECH IRRITATED LEFT-WING PARLIAMENTARIANS. IN ANY EVENT, WE ASSUME CORNER BEST JUDGE OF SPEECH IMPACT ON PARLIAMENTARIANS, THOUGH THERE IS NO NEED TO APOLOGIZE FOR ANY IRRITATION, NOR TO ACCEPT PREMISE THAT STATEMENTS OF US POLICY SHOULD BE TAILORED TO SUIT FOREIGN PARLIAMENTARY FRINGE GROUPS.

2. ALSO NOT CLEAR WHAT YOU INTEND BY REQUEST FOR AUTHORITY TO "SET RECORD STRAIGHT." THERE CAN BE NO DOUBT THAT DEP SEC'S STATEMENT REFLECTED US POLICY AND WE ASSUME CORNER FULLY AWARE THAT FACT. FURTHER, WE WOULD CONSIDER IT HIGHLY IMPROPER FOR EMBASSY TO TELL SENIOR GNZ OFFICIAL (AS YOU SUGGEST) THAT HE "NEED NOT BE SO CONCERNED RE OPINIONS SMALL NUMBER LEFT WING MPS." KISSINGER

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